

Pisces Connect

Monthly Newsletter of the Trumbull Pisces

Pisces Pride

Town Pool Updates

By: Michael Redgate

I would like to take this opportunity to once again thank all the Pisces parents who were able to attend the informative meeting with First Selectman Tim Herbst about the possibility of a pool being built as part of the new Trumbull Community Center project. Since then, I have attended meetings that were open to the public and have also spoken with the architects. It appears that the community would support the building of a new pool, however, cost is a major consideration. I have begun discussions with them about what would be needed for a competitive pool as far as # of lanes, viewing stands, and locker room space are concerned. I have made them aware that although having a pool would introduce a great expense to the town, there are opportunities which we can take advantage of to offset the cost. Architect Kevin McFarlane is currently surveying potential locations for the community center, weighing the costs of building a competitive pool and maintaining it, identifying adequate parking for meets, and studying how much time Pisces and the High School teams would utilize the pool over time. The Town Council may vote to form a pool building committee. I have interacted with each Council Member via email, and have made them aware that Coach Bill and I are volunteering to be on the committee. I will pass along all information as it comes to me and please feel free to email me anytime at mfredgate@me.com for any questions. Thanks.

CONCESSION STAND

I would like to thank all of the parents for their support on an amazing first home meet. Not only did we win in the pool, we won at the concession stand too! Your generous contributions allowed us to raise \$694 for our program. As coach Bill says, we are the envy of the Yankee League and our concessions are the best. A special thank you goes out to all of the volunteers who worked the timing system, chaperoned the locker rooms, worked the concession, and timed in the pool area. Thanks again for all that you do to support our home meets. Please look for a "signup genius" coming soon for our 2nd home meet against Bristol on December 3rd. – TODD KEHLEY

Coach's Corner

By: Coach Bill

*Ahoy Hoy
Trumbull
Pisces!*



Welcome back to all returning swimmers, and

Welcome to all new swimmers and families. As many of us have seen our season is off to an exciting start with impressive swims at our first few CT Swim Meets and an epic win over the Watertown Warriors to start our Yankee League season. But this month, we want to focus on something that everyone on this team should be feeling - **Pisces Pride**.

Pisces Pride came about last season and it was this wave of positive energy that just flowed throughout the team and kept on getting stronger and stronger. It started as a mantra that the swimmers and coaches kicked around on deck at meets, and which eventually flowed into the stands. Soon, this force became an essential part of who the Trumbull Pisces are. Pisces Pride is there when we swim, when we wear our Pisces gear, when we see how well our teammates do, when our parents are cheering for ALL our swimmers from the stands, when our swimmers are cheering each other on, when a swimmer completes a tough set at practice, when we realize that the Trumbull Pisces is a family.

Pisces Pride is something that every Pisces should feel. It is ours and ours alone. And this season, we proudly display this mantra on our team shirts.

Let's hold our heads up high with Pisces Pride for **WE ARE THE TRUMBULL PISCES**.

Welcome OUR NEW TEAM MEMBERS

*Our team is growing! Meet some of our newest swimmers.
Welcome to the Trumbull Pisces family!*

AUDREY BEREZOWSKI

Black & Yellow

AGE: 9

SCHOOL: Daniels Farm

WHY JOIN THE TEAM:

"Swimming is my life. I've been swimming ever since I can remember. When I heard that our town has a swim team, I so wanted to be a part of it. The team helps me be a better swimmer and meet new friends. And most importantly, swimming is a very healthy sport and I can be a role model for my little brother."



JADEN BUCHETTO

Age Group

AGE: 10

SCHOOL: Frenchtown

WHY JOIN THE TEAM:

"Watching Michael Phelps at the Olympics inspired me."



CHARLOTTE JOHNSON

Black & Yellow

AGE: 9

SCHOOL: Daniels Farm

WHY JOIN THE TEAM:

"I was inspired to try out for the Pisces after watching the Olympics this summer!"



SAANVI CHINTAPALLI

Black & Yellow

AGE: 8

SCHOOL: Daniels Farm

WHY JOIN THE TEAM:

"I love swimming and Trumbull Pisces is a really good team and so I wanted to join."



We will be featuring our new swimmers in the next two issues of Pisces Connect. Please send in your child's picture with the above information to nenetteyu@gmail.com.

PISCES PRIDE

WHERE DO YOU SHOW YOUR PISCES PRIDE?

This month, we are introducing a new Pisces Connect photo feature called "Where do you show your Pisces Pride?" Have you been to an interesting place outside of the pool decked out in your Pisces gear? Did you get together outside of the pool with other swimmers for some Pisces-style fun? If so, we want to hear about it! Please submit your Pisces Pride photos with your name and a brief description to mkivanovich@att.net for our next issue! Now, get out there and show everyone what Pisces Pride is all about! #PiscesPride

Pisces President Michael Redgate, showing off his Pisces Pride through the streets of Fairfield at the Colony Grill "Hot Oil" 5k on November 13, 2016. Way to go Mr. President!



SAVE THE DATE

We will be hosting our Annual Pisces Aquathon at Hillcrest on Friday, February 3rd. This year, in an attempt to raise more funds, we will be bringing the event online and managing the donations through our TeamUnify trumbullpisces.org website. TeamUnify allows swimmers to create their own donation page so they can easily email / facebook their information out to friends & family. This new tool will enable your donors to pledge their contributions online with a credit card. We are working on setting up all of the details now and will have an announcement out to the swimmers soon after the Thanksgiving holiday. In an effort to help our swimmers create their own personalized donation page we will be providing everyone this year with their individual swim photos at no charge. Please be on the lookout for the details in the next couple of weeks.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do you have a question about the Pisces, meets, or swimming in general? You can send your question to mkivanovich@att.net and we will work with Coach Bill to answer it in the newsletter. This month, we answer the following questions.

How does a swimmer qualify for the Yankee League Championship Finals?

For swimmers 8 and under, the day of the Yankee League Trials (Feb. 14th) is their Yankee League Final. Awards will be distributed that day for individual events (1st through 12th place) and relays (1st through 3rd place). For swimmers 9 and over, the top 12 finishers in each individual event at Yankee League Trials (Feb. 13th or Feb. 14th) will qualify for positions in the finals, along with the top six relay teams. The Yankee League Finals take place the following weekend (Feb. 20th), where qualifiers compete for their final placement. Awards are distributed for individual events at finals, as well as for the top three relay teams.

Team Store Updates

The beginning of the year is always a frenzy of ordering. Mesh bags, t-shirts, caps, and team suits have all arrived and are mostly distributed. Team backpacks and jackets are ordered and will arrive in the coming weeks. Please be on the lookout for personalized swim caps.

If you have any questions please contact Marc Kosak at Marc.kosak@greenwichhospital.org